

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 10, 13, 14 and 16 are amended. No new matter is presented in this Amendment.

The courtesies extended to Applicant's representative by Examiner Epps at the interview held March 30, 2005, are appreciated. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

The Office Action rejects claims 10-12 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/0075513 to Yogome et al. ("Yogome"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As discussed and agreed at the interview, Yogome fails to disclose an image display medium comprising a colored dispersion fluid which is disposed between the plates of the medium and provides a first display color, and at least two kinds of colored particles which provide a second and third display colors, whereby at least one of the first, second and third display colors are displayed, as recited in claim 10. Claims 11 and 12 depend from claim 10. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Yogome is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-9 and 13-16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Yogome in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,536,428 to Murata et al. ("Murata"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

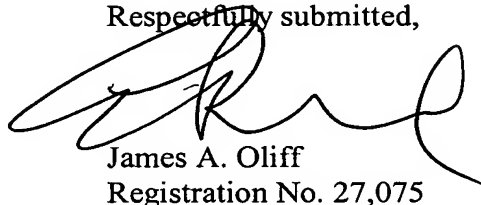
As discussed and agreed at the interview, neither Yogome nor Murata discloses, teaches or suggests an image display medium comprising a colored rear face plate providing a first display color and at least two kinds of colored particles providing a second and third display colors, in which at least one of the first, second and third display colors are displayed,

as recited in claims 1 and 13-16. Claims 2-9 depend from claim 1. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1 and 13-16 is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-16 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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